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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Nucleotide Sequences Specific to Yersinia Pestis and Methods for the Detection of Yersinia Pestis

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is attached hereto _____ was filed on _____ as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number _____

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I (We) hereby state that I (we) have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I (We) hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35, U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

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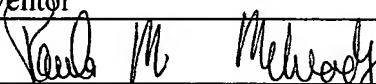
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